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American Diplomacy in North Korea

Hello, this is your Congressman Michael Burgess.

This week, the world was an eyewitness to history as President Trump met with North Korea leader Kim Jung Un. This meeting marked the first time the leaders of these countries have met. North Korea's participation in this summit is evidence that President Trump is achieving unprecedented progress to establish peace on the Korean peninsula.

In the first 500 days of his presidency, President Trump has strengthened American leadership, security, prosperity, and accountability around the world. Under President Trump's leadership, Kim Jong Un has agreed to come to the table and begin discussions to establish lasting peace. Earlier this year, the world witnessed the leader of North Korea cross the DMZ and embrace the president of South Korea – an act that would have been unthinkable just months ago. That is certainly progress.

We do not yet have all the details or answers, but this summit is a step in the right direction. Kim Jong Un must follow through on his plans to denuclearize North Korea, and establish lasting peace between North Korea and the rest of the world.

I am grateful to President Trump and Secretary Pompeo for their leadership during this process. And, I know that there's more work to be done. As Secretary Pompeo and the State Department continue negotiations, I urge President Trump to work with Congress so that we can coordinate our efforts to bolster America's national security.

As always, I appreciate your comments and your questions on this issue or any other issue. May God bless you and your family, and as the song says, God bless you Texas.